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DIVISION OF INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES SERVICES
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MEMORANDUM

MEMO # 0141

TO: All Providers of Personal Assistance Services
and Support Coordination Agencies

FROM: James R. Finch, Ed.D.
Deputy Commissioner 

DATE: June 23, 2010

RE: Change in Personal Assistance Rate

During the past week, staff from Division of Intellectual Disabilities Services (DIDS) have traveled throughout the state presenting the details of the budget for the Division for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. Part of that presentation is the explanation that, effective July 1, 2010, the Division will have a single reimbursement rate for 15-minute units of personal assistance services. That rate will be the current base rate of \$3.69 per one quarter hour. For dates of service July 1, 2010 and after, payment for these services will no longer be made at the enhanced or 2-staff rates.

Please note that this is a change in certain rates of reimbursement for personal assistance services and not a change or reduction in services. Therefore, it is expected that the people who receive personal assistance services will continue to do so in accordance with the waiver service definition and the provider manual description of the service.

If you have questions, please contact your regional director or the director of administrative services for your region.

JRF:kc

cc: Debbie Payne, Assistant Commissioner of Community and Facility Services
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